

1 **ABSTRACT**

2 Systems and methods are described for registering a plug-in with a media
3 player and for dynamically loading the plug-in into the media player. When a
4 plug-in is installed for use in the media player, it calls a registration function of the
5 media player. The registration function specifies registration parameters to be
6 provided by the plug-in. The registration function receives the registration
7 parameters passed from the plug-in and stores them in a registry of the operating
8 system in a specified format in the registry that enables the media player to
9 recognize and load the plug-in if called to do so. The media player dynamically
10 loads plug-ins in a manner that provides a seamless media presentation experience
11 for a user.